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# Statement of LEO R. ASUNCION

Acting Director, Office of Planning before the

#### HOUSE COMMITTEE ON WATER AND LAND

Friday, March 27, 2015 10:00 AM State Capitol, Conference Room 325

in consideration of

#### **HCR 198**

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM TO PRIORITIZE THE DEVELOPMENT OF KAPOLEI INTO A JOB CENTER IN SUPPORT OF THE STATE AND THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU'S POLICIES TO DEVELOP KAPOLEI INTO OAHU'S "SECONDARY URBAN CENTER".

Chair Yamane, Vice Chair Cullen, and Members of the House Committee on Water and Land.

The Office of Planning (OP) supports HCR 198 which requests that priority be given to the development of Kapolei into a job center in support of State and City and County of Honolulu's policies. OP has assumed the lead role for coordinating State agency efforts to develop State lands in the Transit Oriented Development (TOD) zone of the Honolulu Rail Transit project. In the East Kapolei area, the State of Hawaii owns significant acreage in proximity to the University of Hawaii West Oahu rail transit station. OP will be exploring the development potentials for mixed use and affordable housing in this area in collaboration with Senator Chun-Oakland's State TOD Task Force and affected government agencies, including the University of Hawaii, Department of Land and Natural Resources, and State housing agencies.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

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## **HCR198**

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David Z. Arakawa	Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii	Support	No

Comments: The Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii SUPPORTS HCR 198, which requests the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to prioritize the development of Kapolei into a job center in support of the state and the City and County of Honolulu's policies to develop Kapolei into Oahu's "Secondary Urban Center."

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